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REPORT MADE AT Kansas City, Missouri.	DATE WHEN MADE 6-18-26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-18-26	REPORT MADE BY J. O. CARTER, Jr., M.S.
TITLE AL AYERS G. L. WHITE			CHARACTER OF CASE NAT'L. MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

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JUN 18 1926

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subjects apprehended by police, Ft. Scott, Kansas, in possession Paige Coupe, motor #612026, stolen from HENRY WARD, owner, Fairfax, Oklahoma, 6-7-26. Subjects turned over to Oklahoma State authorities and returned Miami, Oklahoma, to answer charges of Bank Robbery and Grand Larceny. Oklahoma Bureau Office requested watch prosecution State Court. Car Recovery \$200.

R.U.C.

REFERENCE:

telegram from Oklahoma City office, dated 6-11-26, as follows:

"FORT SCOTT AUTHORITIES HOLDING AL AYERS AND G L WHITE WHO STOLE PAIGE COUPE NUMBER FOUR ONE TWO NAUGHT TWO SIX FROM HENRY WARD FAIRFAX OKLAHOMA JUNE SEVENTH REQUEST MADE THIS OFFICE HANDLE QUICK AS OFFICERS PROCEEDING THERE TO RECOVER CAR."

DETAILS:

Upon receipt of telegram quoted next above, the Kansas City office called Chief of Police J.E. Ball, Ft. Scott, Ks., and requested him to hold Subjects for Federal authorities, until arrival there of an Agent of this office, and this he promised to do.

- - At Fort Scott, Kansas - -

On June 17, 1926, Agent appeared at Ft. Scott, interviewed Chief of Police Ball and learned that on the night of June 11, officers from Miami, Oklahoma, appeared at Ft. Scott, and Subjects were turned over to said officers and returned to Miami, Okla., there to answer charges of bank robbery and also a charge of Grand Larceny.

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The investigation conducted by the Tulsa District Attorney's Office is embodied in the report of Agent J. H. Barker, Jr. dated Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 15, 1936. Following receipt of this report at the Tulsa District Attorney's Office, communication with Tulsa County Sheriff, J. H. Barker, was stated that he had not yet been in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and that he was at the present time in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and that he was at the present time in Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and that he was at the present time in Tulsa County, Oklahoma.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.**

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TITLE <input type="radio"/> AL AYRES <input type="radio"/> O. L. WHITE			CHARACTER OF CASE Violation National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

(O. C. #26/846/8)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

BEGINNING INVESTIGATION

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J. H. Ward, Fairfax, Oklahoma, owner of the car in question, states that the car, a Paige Cabrolet, Motor #412,026, was stolen on the afternoon of June 6, 1926, at Fairfax, Oklahoma. All the information concerning car is embodied in this report. Subjects apparently stole car and transported same to Ft. Scott, Kansas, where they were apprehended. Subjects returned to Ottawa County Authorities. Further investigation to be conducted by Oklahoma City Office.

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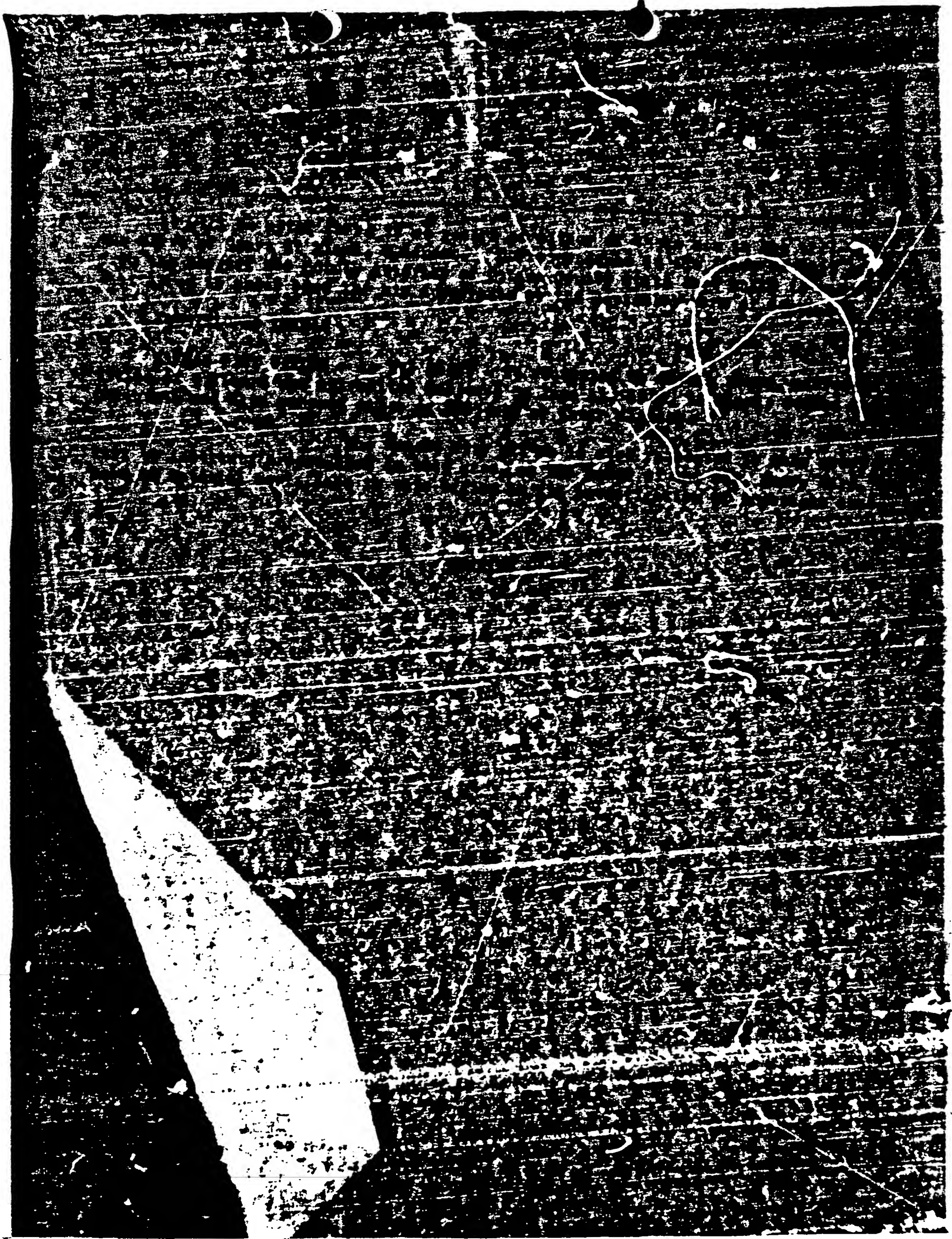
DETAILS:

- At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma -

J. H. Ward of Fairfax, Oklahoma, states that he is the legal owner of the Paige Cabrolet, Motor #412,026, Serial #406,407, which he purchased from Mr. T. K. McCune at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on April 16, 1926. The car in question is insured by the Commercial Investment Trust Company, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; that he is an automobile dealer at Fairfax, Oklahoma, and placed this car in his show room at the time of purchasing same, and that on June 6, 1926, 11 A. M. he took the car out of his show room and parked it on South Main Street; that he discovered the car missing some time that night, and presume that it was stolen some time that afternoon. Mr. Ward further stated that he advertised extensively for the car and the thieves, and that on June 9, 1926, he received word from the Chief of Police at Ft. Scott, Kansas, that he had recovered the car in possession of the two Subjects of this case. On receipt of this information the following wire was sent to the Kansas City Office: "Frank J. Blase, Department of Justice, Latrop Building, Kansas City, Missouri. Ft. Scott authorities holding Al Ayres and J. L. White who stole Paige Coupe number four one two naught two six from Henry Ward Fairfax Oklahoma June seventh Request made this office handle quick as officers proceeding there to recover car. Signed Tracy Acting".

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CASE ORIGINATED AT Oklahoma City, Okla.		DATE WHEN MADE 8-27-26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-14-26	REPORT MADE BY D. E. Graham
REPORT MADE AT Oklahoma City, Okla.		CHARACTER OF CASE Violation National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.		
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS G. L. WHITE				

(O. C. 26/046/25) 26-
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No record - City or County - of either Subject being under arrest at Miami, Okla., or having been extradited from Ft. Scott, Kansas to Miami, Okla. Kansas City office is requested to make further investigation at Ft. Scott.

- PENDING -

REFERENCE:- Report of Agent J. C. Carter, dated Kansas City, June 15, 1926.

- At Miami, Oklahoma -

DETAILS:-

Wade Anderson, Clerk Criminal Court, Ottawa County, has no record of either Ayres or White being held to answer charges of bank robbery or grand larceny, or having been turned over by the police, Ft. Scott, Kansas to Ottawa County officers.

In the absence of Sheriff E. E. Simpson, Agent interviewed Chief Deputy McChes, who has no record of either Subject having been extradited from Ft. Scott, Kansas, to Miami or Ottawa County, about June 11, 1926, nor are Subjects known to McChes.

Unable to interview A. L. Commons, County Prosecuting Attorney, who was out of the City.

DETAILS

Interviewed Chief of Police C. M. Coons and he knows nothing regarding Subjects having been extradited from Ft. Scott to Miami.

It appears that possibly Subjects, if extradited, were brought back under other aliases than their right names.

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CASE ORIGINATED AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA		REPORT MADE BY JAS. C. CARTER, JR.
REPORT MADE AT OKLAHOMA CITY, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE 8-7-26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-7-26
TITLE AL AYERS, alias COSTELLO O. G. L. WHITE (formerly reported AL AYERS) O. G. L. WHITE.		CHARACTER OF CASE VIOLATION NATIONAL MOTOR MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

K.O. 26-646-6.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On June 11, 1926, subjects, were taken from Fort Scott, Kansas to Miami, Oklahoma, by Justice of the Peace, GARE, Ketchum, Oklahoma, who had warrant for subjects, and Deputy Sheriff, FRANK WARNER, Miami, Oklahoma; Judge MOORE, Miami, Oklahoma, accompanied the Oklahoma officers and paid the reward for the recovery of the car. Leads for Oklahoma City office.

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R.U.C.

REFERENCE:

Entire file captioned as above and in particular to report Agent D.M. GRAHAM, dated August 27, 1926, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

DETAILS:

AT FORT SCOTT, KANSAS.

Agent was advised by Chief of Police, J.M. BAIL, that on June 11, 1926, subjects were turned over to Justice of the Peace, GARE, Ketchum, Oklahoma, and Deputy Sheriff, FRANK WARNER, Miami, Oklahoma, who held warrant for Subject AYERS for robbery of the County Attorney, at Miami, Oklahoma, of valuables and money to the amount of \$500.00 and warrant for subject WHITE for robbery of Bank and Postoffice at Ketchum, Oklahoma; that Judge Moore, Miami, Oklahoma, accompanied the above mentioned officers and paid \$100.00 reward for the recovery of the car in question in similar for the Oklahoma officers to obtain the custody of subjects; that policeman, GEORGE M. BARNUM, accompanied the Oklahoma officers from Fort Scott, Kansas to Miami, Oklahoma, where subjects were lodged in the Ottawa County, Oklahoma jail; that all expenses of Policeman, GEORGE M. BARNUM, were paid by Judge MOORE.

Policeman, GEORGE M. BARNUM, advised that he accompanied Justice of the Peace, GARE, Deputy Sheriff, FRANK WARNER, and Judge MOORE, with subjects, from Fort Scott, Kansas to Miami, Oklahoma, and is certain that subjects were lodged in the County jail, at Miami, Oklahoma; that subject, AYERS, sometimes goes by the name of

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OOSTELLO; that all his expenses from Fort Scott, Kansas, to Miami, Oklahoma, and return to Fort Scott, Kansas were paid by Judge Moses.

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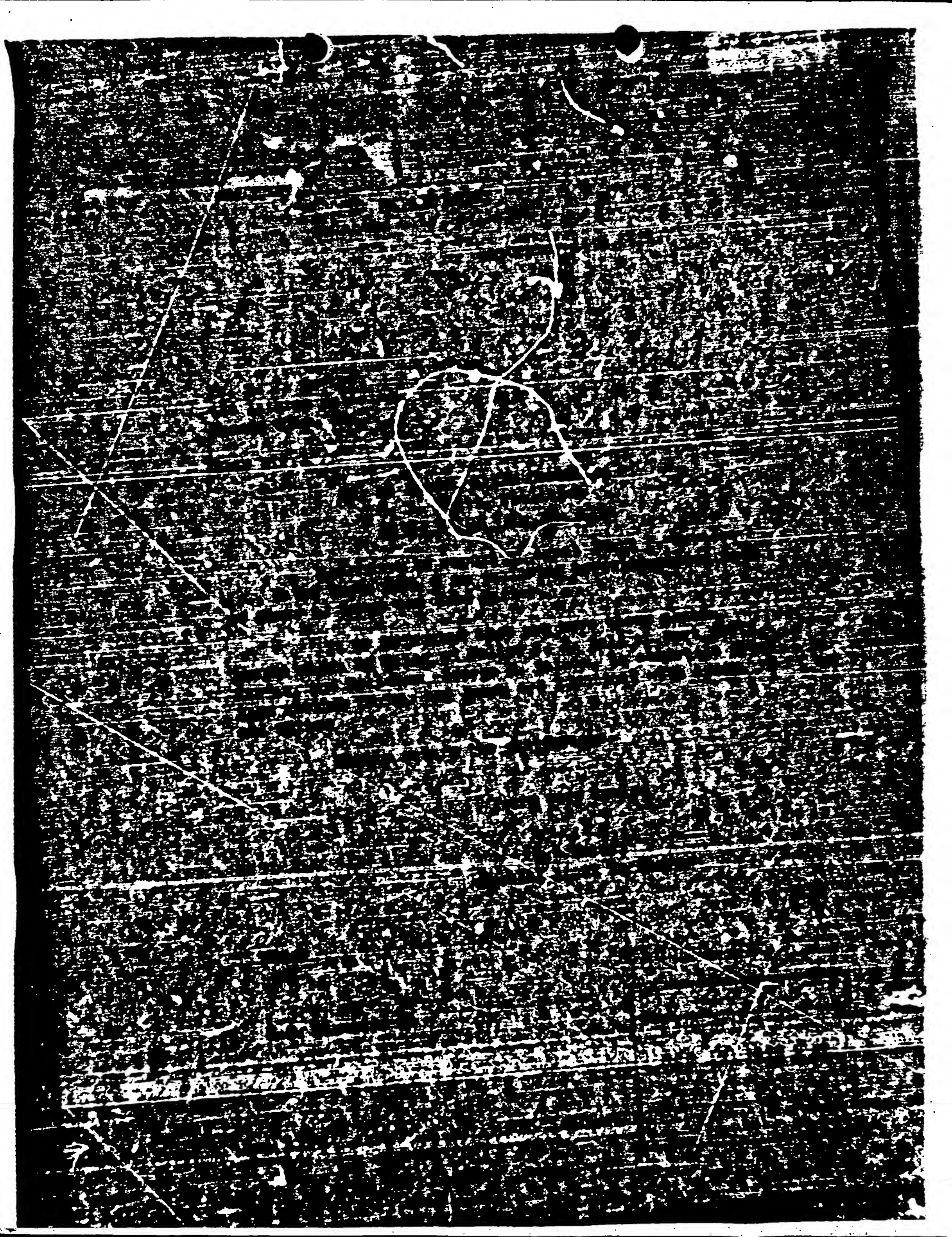
OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:

Is requested to make appropriate investigation in accordance with the above at Miami, and Ketchum, Oklahoma.

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NO FURTHER ACTION HERE.

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REPORT MADE AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA		REPORT MADE BY WIGHT BRADLEY
REPORT MADE ON Missouri City, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 9-28-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9-27-36
TITLE AL AYERS, alias COSTELLO O. L. WHITE (formerly reported as AYERS) O. L. WHITE		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTRADITION MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.
FILE NO. 85-666-41		

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Chief of Police J. E. Hall, Ft. Scott, Kansas, and other officers there identify photo of Subject WHITE. Most of officers think other photograph one of Subject AYERS.

R.U.C.

REFERENCE:

Previous reports, and a letter from SAC White, Oklahoma City, 9-18-36.

DETAILS:

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

On September 27, 1936, a letter was received from Chief of Police BAIL, Ft. Scott, Kansas, which was in reply to a communication addressed to him by this office. Said letter is as follows:

"Your letter and card re Ayers and White. All the officers identify White most of them think it Ayers Ayers wore his hair different than here also closed collar and tie."

The photograph is being returned to the Oklahoma City Bureau office.

RETURNED BACK TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN (OKLAHOMA CITY) -

NO FURTHER ACTION HERE (KANSAS CITY)

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.		PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	9-12 to 18-26	J. E. Fitzpatrick - W.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	9-30-26		CHARACTER OF CASE
EDWARD BARKER alias AL AYERS, alias D. W. COSTELLO, alias S. B. WILLSON alias A. INMAN, alias C. L. WHITE, alias E. H. AYERS. (Formerly reported AL AYERS alias COSTELLO - C. L. WHITE).			Violation National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

(O. C. 26/445/20.)
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject Barker, alias Ayers, returned to Ottawa County, Oklahoma on charge of robbery; released under bond on June 22, 1926. Subject Inman alias C. L. White returned to Ketchum, Oklahoma but not held on a charge in Ketchum. Inman a parole violator of Kansas State Penitentiary. Arrested in Claremore, Okla. on July 25, 1926, while in act of robbing a store. The men who received Subjects at Ft. Scott, Kansas, were not interested in the car in question. Information received that Subjects will not be prosecuted effectively in the Oklahoma State Courts. Kansas City Bureau office requested to present this case to the United States Attorney of Kansas District for prosecution.

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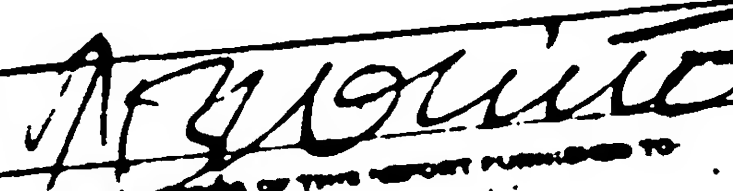
REFERENCE report of Agent Jas. C. Carter, Jr., dated at Kansas City, Missouri, Sept. 7, 1926, captioned "Al Ayers, alias Costello, and C. L. White, Violation National Motor Vehicle Theft Act".

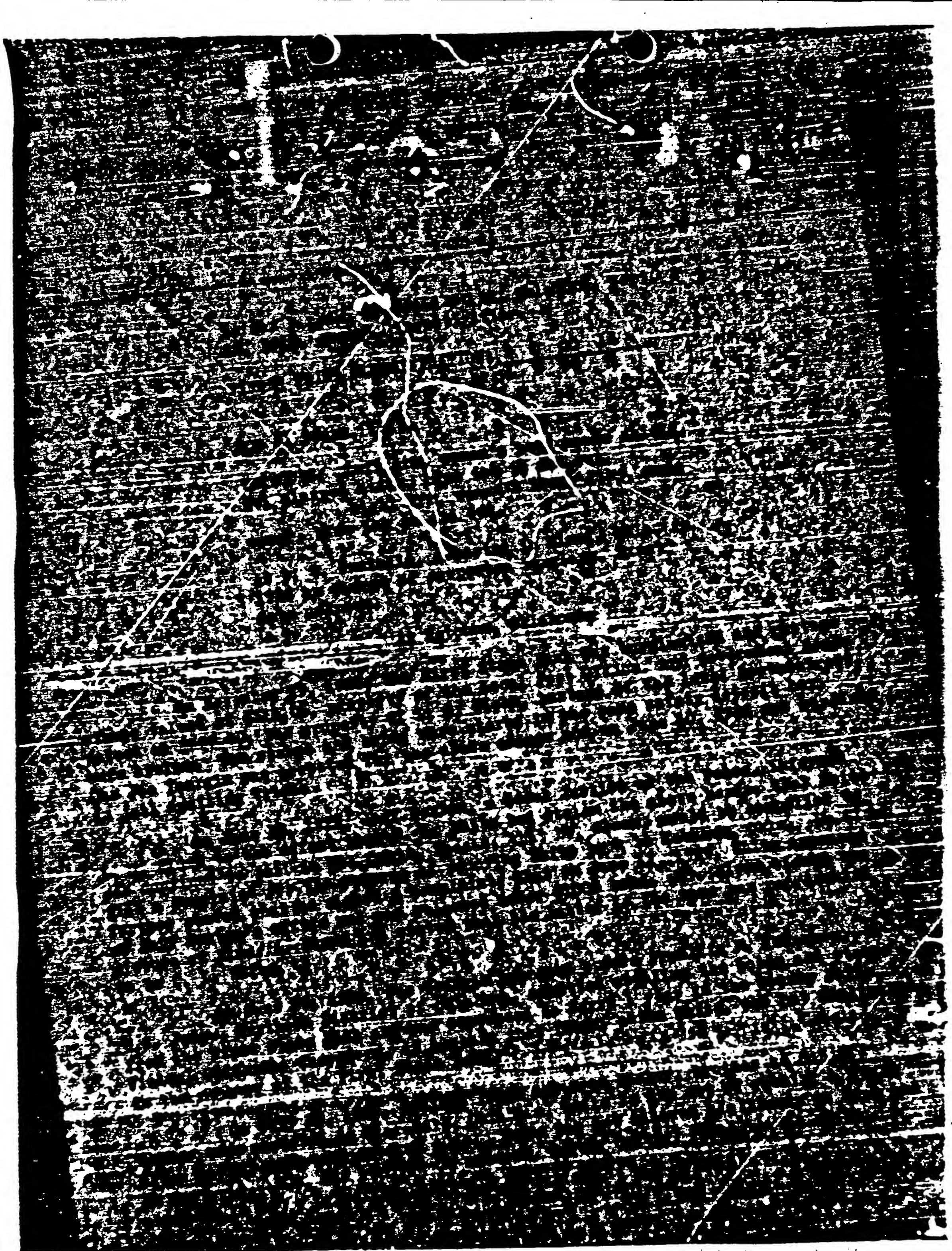
At Miami, Oklahoma.

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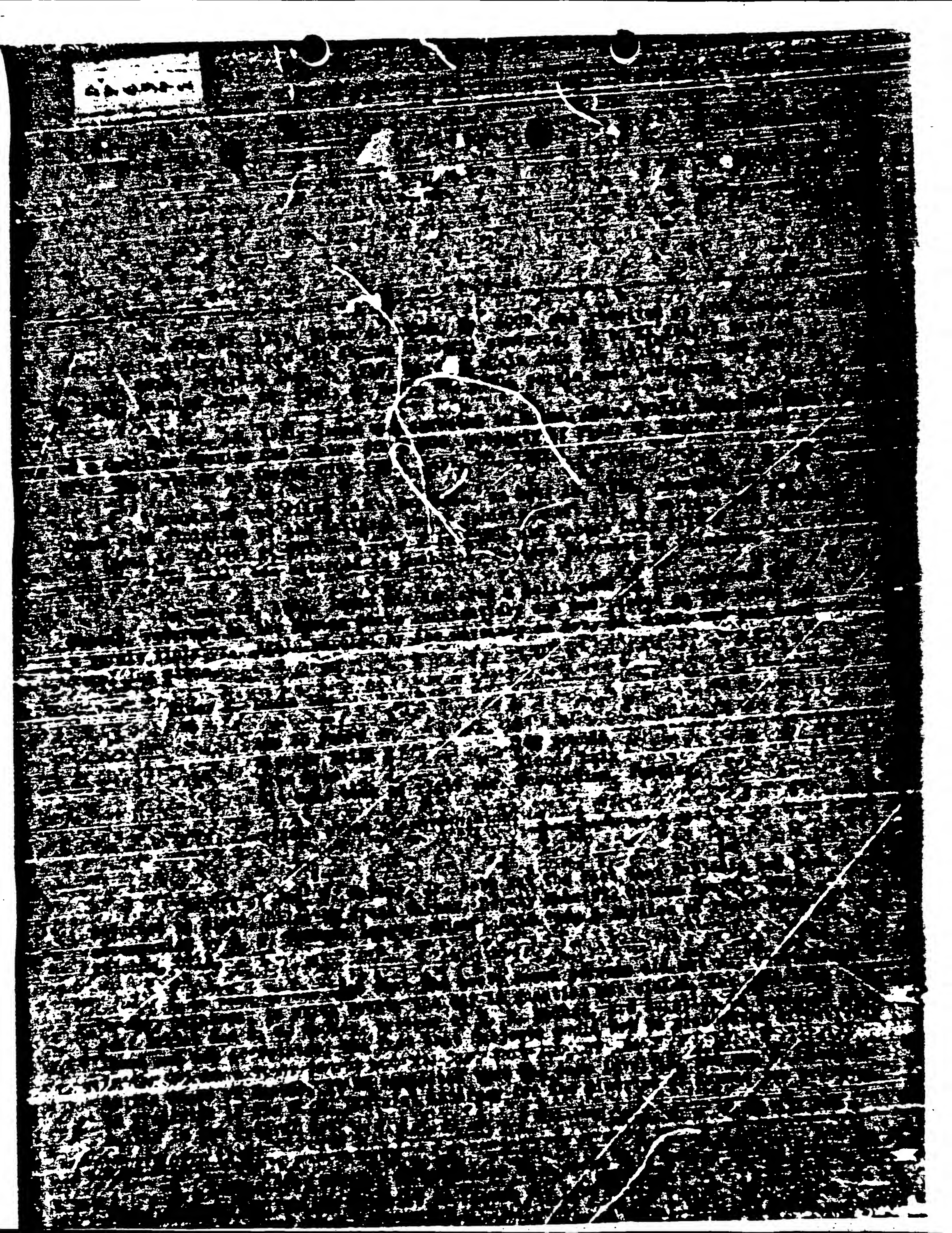
The records of the Sheriff's office, Ottawa County, Okla., disclose that on June 11, 1926, Subject Barker alias Al Ayers was booked under name of S. B. Willson, Costello; charge, robbery; released under bond on June 22, 1926. From general information obtained under discreet methods, Subject will not be prosecuted effectively.

There is not a Bureau of Identification in Ottawa County, therefore, the following information was obtained at the Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department:

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

REPORT MADE AT Kansas City, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 10-7-26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10-7-26	REPORT MADE BY E. J. CULHAN -SAS
TITLE WILLIAM LARKER alias AL AYERS alias B.W. COSTELLO alias S. B. WILLSON -ELMER A. DRYAN alias C. L. WHITE alias E. E. AYERS. (Formerly reported AL AYERS alias COSTELLO -C. L. WHITE).			CHARACTER OF CASE NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Complaint filed at Topeka, Kansas, October 4, 1926, charging Subjects with violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, in the transportation of Paige Coupe, Motor No. 412026 from Fairfax, Oklahoma to Fort Scott, Kansas, on or about June 10, 1926, knowing same to have been stolen. Car property HENRY WARD of Fairfax, Oklahoma. OKLAHOMA OFFICE requested to take such action as may be deemed advisable in the case.

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REFERENCE:

entire file captioned identically, and particularly report Agent J. E. Fitzpatrick, Oklahoma City, 9-30-26 advising that prospects not favorable for successful prosecution of Subject in Oklahoma and requesting to know what action United States Attorney for Kansas may suggest.

DETAILS:

AT TOPEKA KANSAS and KANSAS CITY, MO.

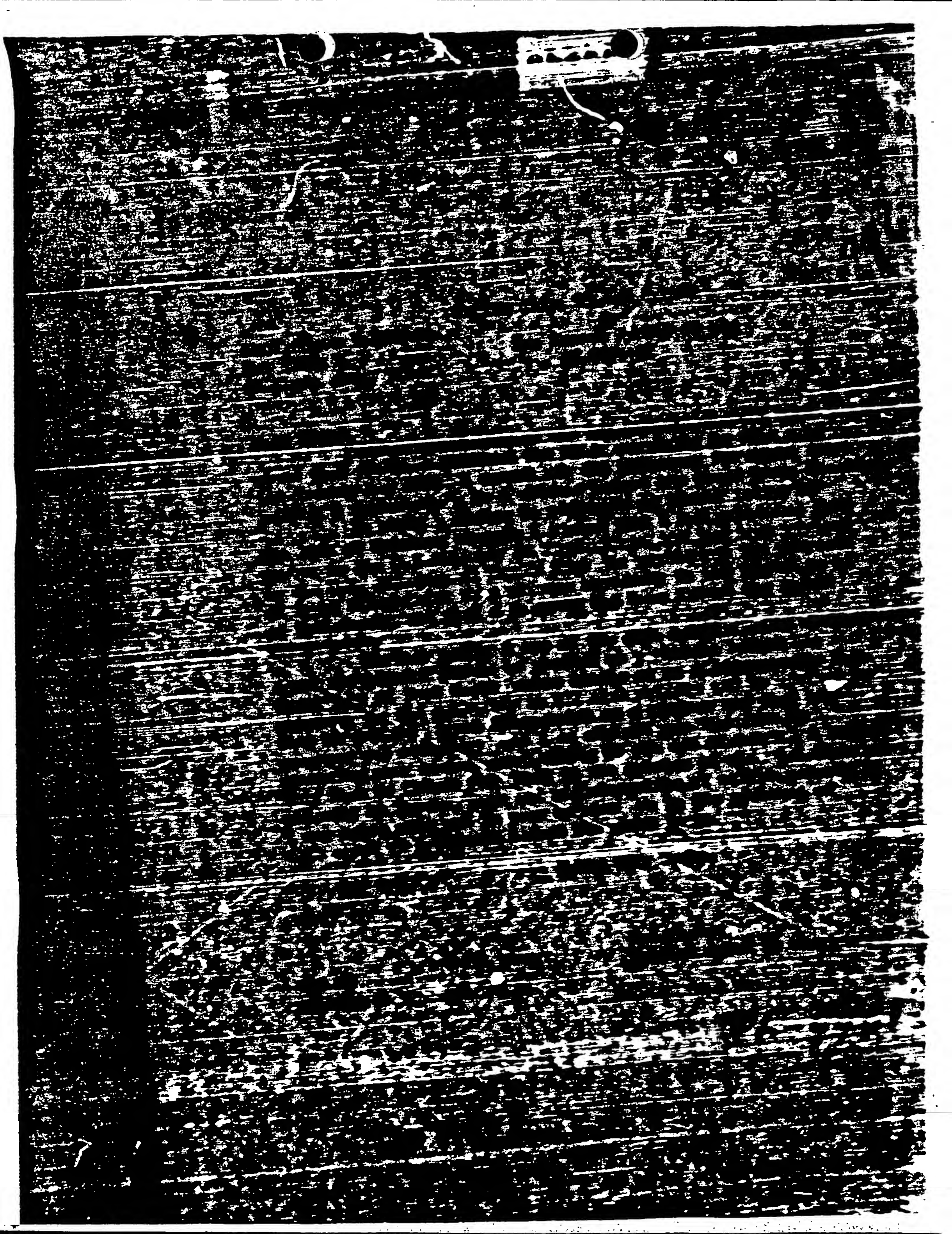
The United States Attorney's reply to a communication from this Agent in this case was that the case will be prosecuted in the Kansas district should it fail in Oklahoma; and authorizing the filing of complaint.

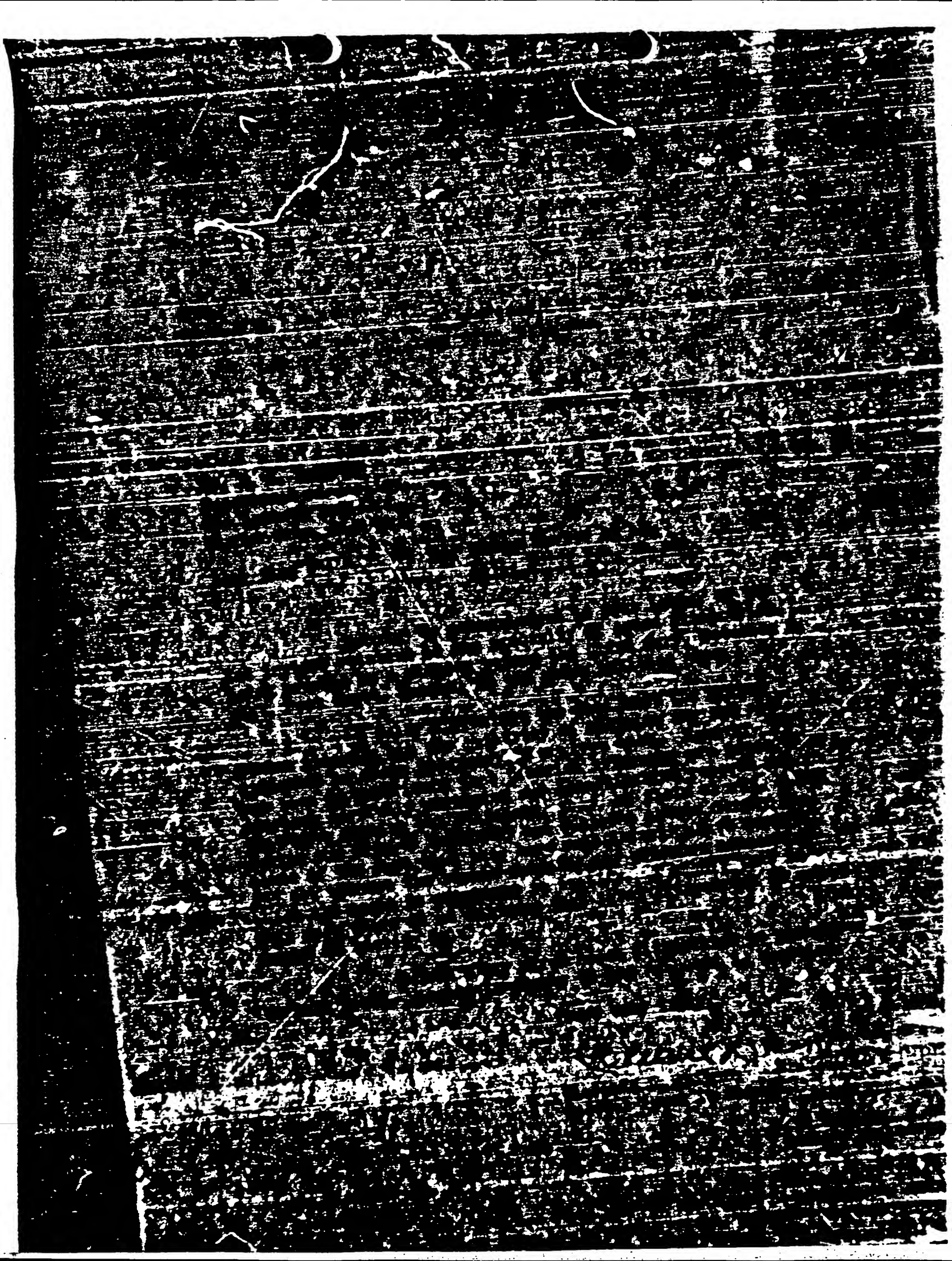
On October 4, 1926, complaint was filed by J.E. Wyman, Assistant United States Attorney, Topeka, Kansas, as above set forth and a certified copy of the complaint and warrant issued by United States Commissioner Lashbrook, Topeka, Kansas, are now on file in the Kansas City Office pending further advises from the Oklahoma City office and the filing of a fugitive warrant there should this action be taken.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>E. J. Culhan</i>	<u>PENDING</u> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	RECORDED AND INDEXED OCT 11 1926
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405 Lathrop Building.
Kansas City, Missouri.
November 12, 1935.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley.

P.O. Box 1802,

Wichita, Kan.

Dear Sir:-

AL ALLEN, et al
U.S. No. 44

I have been advised by the United States Attorney's office at Topeka, Kansas, that these two subjects have been indicted at Fort Scott, Kansas, and asking if certified copy of indictment should be sent to your office.

Complaint was filed in the Kansas district when it seemed unlikely state prosecution would be successful in Oklahoma, as per report of this Agent, Kansas City, October 7, 1935. Our files do not reflect whether subjects have ever been turned over to the Government or that fugitive warrants for them are issued in Oklahoma. Assuming they are in custody in the State courts or can be located in your district I have advised the United States Attorney at Topeka, Kansas, to forward the certified copy of the indictment to you for such disposition as you may determine.

Yours very truly,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

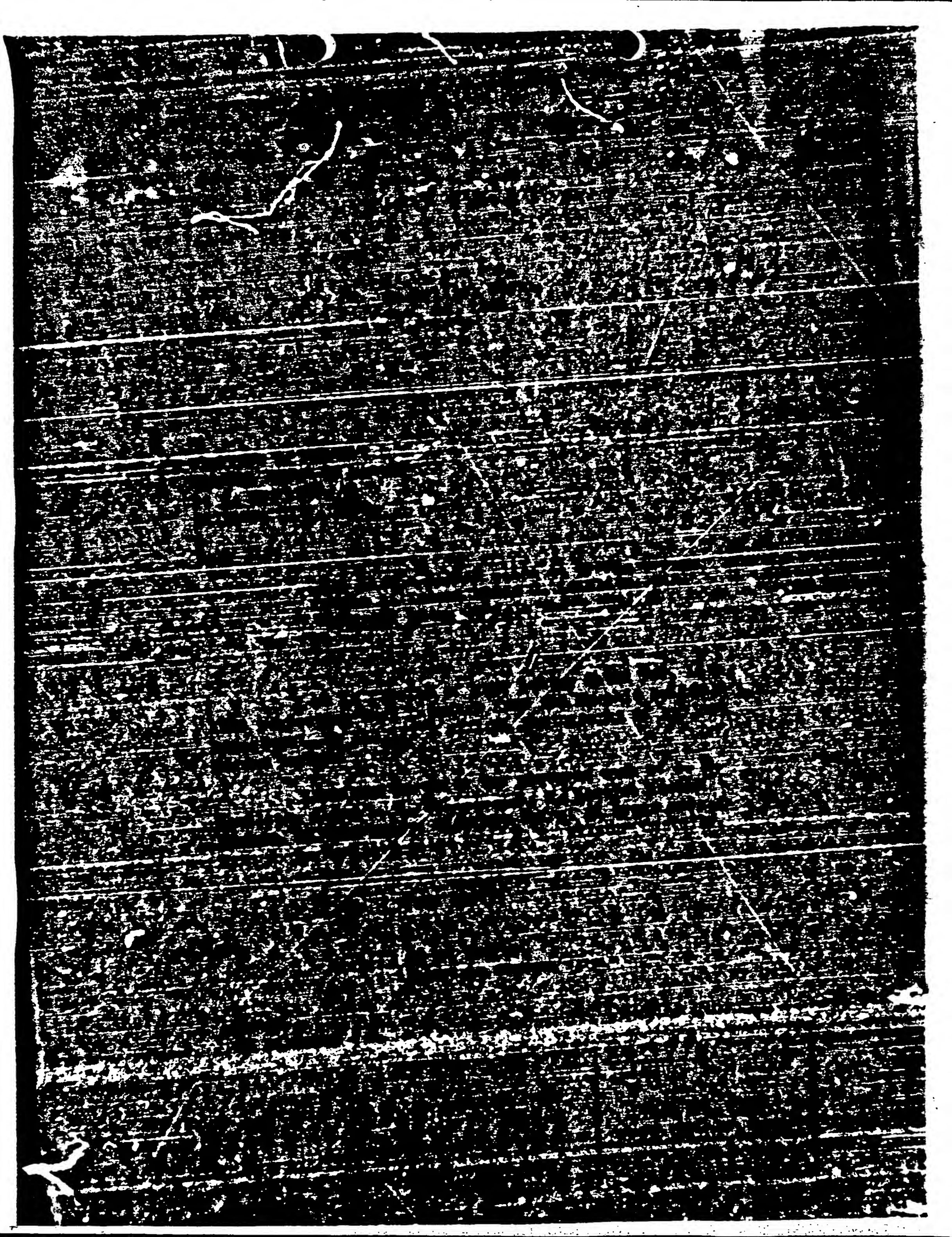
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REPORT MADE AT Oklahoma City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE 12-2-26	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-23-26	REPORT MADE BY Russell Byers
TITLE THE BREKID BROTHER, alias AL ALLEN, alias D. W. CORTELLA, alias J. B. WILLIAMS, alias A. HALL, alias C. L. FISH, alias L. E. JONES - FUGITIVES -			CHARACTER OF CASE DEC 7 - 1926 National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

(O.C. 24/04/26) 26-991

Two of the above subjects indicted at Ft. Scott, Kansas, on November 9, 1926, for theft of Ralph Corne, Motor No. 412, 226, stolen June 6, 1926, at Fairfax, Oklahoma, property of Jerry Earl, Fairfax, Oklahoma. Elmer A. Jones and Russell Byers were jail at Ardmore, Oklahoma, September 27, 1926, having been arrested by Sheriff Lorton for burglary, and are now fugitives.

- PHOTOS -

REFERENCE: Previous reports in the above entitled case.

DETAILS:

- At Ardmore, Oklahoma -

Elmer A. Jones, one of the above subjects, was arrested with Ray Derrill on a charge of burglary by the Sheriff's office at Ardmore and on September 27, 1926, broke jail by overpowering the jailer and making his escape. These men were undoubtedly assisted by Valva Elton, alias Mrs. Ray Derrill, Mrs. Ethel Derrill, alias Mrs. Ethel Derrill, and Mrs. Edna Amy, alias Miss Edna Derrill, as these three women were in the City of Ardmore on the day and evening previous to the jail break. Agent has been informed that after this jail break all the above mentioned parties disappeared from Ardmore. Jones and Derrill were next heard of at Springfield, Missouri, where they robbed a bank of \$7,000.00, and then proceeded to Wichita, Kansas, where they bought a new Hudson Brougham, and that they transferred their guns, etc., from the car they were driving to the Hudson Brougham. (Agent was unable to learn the kind of car they used to come to Wichita, Kansas.) They then left Wichita, Kansas, en route to Arizona, stating they were going to a warm climate for the winter, since which the Agent has been unable to trace them.

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My Terrill and Dr. Ray Terrill are well known to the officers at
the Missouri State Penitentiary as they are subjects of a white slave case. And Sheriff Tom Barker and
County Judge Marshall Wilkerson had a shooting wrap up. My Terrill and apprehended him
at the same time.

A photograph of Ethel Wagner, Subject in this case, and a photograph of
my Terrill who might be with him, are being called to the various offices concerned.
The women interested in this case will be called to the Missouri State Penitentiary
and they are being called from the Sheriff at Lincoln, Missouri.
It is known to have married a daughter of the warden of the Penitentiary
at Lincoln, Kansas, at some time under the name of Emma.

KANSAS CITY OFFICE is requested to investigate the robbery at the Bank
at Springfield, Missouri. Also interview the mother of Ethel Wagner at the said
Hotel at Kansas City to ascertain the whereabouts of her daughter. Also interview
the warden or former warden of the Lansing Penitentiary relative to the marriage of
Ethel to his daughter, and locate Subject if possible. It is also requested to
endeavor to locate sale of a Hudson Brougham car that might have been sold at Emporia
City or Elmore, Kansas, the latter part of September or early part of October, 1926.

MOBILE OFFICE is requested to endeavor to locate Subjects in that
District.

EL PASO OFFICE is requested to make an investigation at Donipha, New
Mexico, relative to the Ray Terrill, as it is reasonable to believe that both the above
named Subjects and Terrill are concerned.

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P. O. Box 623,
Tulsa, Oklahoma,
December 30, 1926.

Mr. Clarence D. McKean,
Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Re: Al Ayers, E. L. White
Kotor Act.

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There is enclosed herewith a communication
received from [REDACTED]

I have never spoken to [REDACTED] relative to
this case and I do not know who informed [REDACTED] about
this investigation being made by me.

This is merely for your information and such
action as you may deem necessary.

Respectfully yours,
James E. Fitzpatrick.

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The December 30, 1926 daily issue of the Tulsa
World sets out a news item disclosing the arrest of Al Inman,
alias E. L. White in Oklahoma City, Okla.

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